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Peachtree Corners Celebrates Opening of New City Hall

PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA, Jan. 19, 2018 – On Tuesday evening over 100 invited guests joined city leaders and staff to celebrate the opening of Peachtree Corners' new city hall. The celebration included the dedication of the flag plaza, a flag-raising ceremony followed by an official ribbon cutting after which everyone was invited inside for a glimpse of the city's new headquarters.

They were greeted with a gleaming, modern, innovative décor designed to reflect the city's high-tech image as a community which is known for its cutting-edge technology businesses. Sleek lighting fixtures, contemporary lobby furniture with built-in connections for cell phones and other devises, expansive glass doors and a tiled flooring designed to draw your eye to the stylish receptionist desk have been incorporated into the City's new headquarters.

"We are extremely pleased to present our new city hall to everyone," said Mayor Mike Mason, during the grand opening event. "The city's tagline is 'innovative and remarkable' and our new city hall certainly reflects that image."

Also incorporated into the lobby are two floor-to-ceiling concave video screens displaying scenes from around the city along with duel display screens and a video board in the front window to display information about upcoming meetings. Incorporated in the 30,000 square-foot city hall is a 150-seat council chambers with audio and video capabilities.

The new city hall building, located $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of its previous space, was purchased last year. The new space was renovated and remodeled and city staff moved into the new space on Dec. 15.

"The city had operated out of leased space since January 2013, the cost to continue leasing the space was going to rise substantially," said City Manager Brian Johnson. "Purchasing a building

allows the city to build equity. In 15 years the mortgage on the building will be paid off, and we will own the building free and clear."

The city occupies the first floor of the two-story building and is leasing the second floor. After factoring in the income from the leased second floor, the city will be paying only \$600 per month more to own a 60,000 square-foot building in the heart of Technology Park. "Purchasing the building rather than continuing to rent a 12,500 square foot office space was simply a smart economic decision," added Johnson.

As part of the grand opening ceremony, Boy Scout Troop 525 raised the American, State and City flags in the newly design flag plaza. Jeff Foster, Wesleyan's band director, performed the National Anthem on trumpet as the three flags were raised. The United Peachtree Corners Festival Committee donated the funds for the three flag poles and the flag plaza and the Peachtree Corners Rotary Club donated the flag plaza's two outdoor benches.

The celebration also included the presentation of a second set of flags in the council chambers by Girl Scout Troop 2676.

The new City Hall is located at 310 Technology Parkway, Peachtree Corners, GA 30092

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